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Medical marijuana bill teetering on the brink

In the bud. Gov. Andrew Cuomo released a last-minute list of demands to a medical marijuana bill that puts the bill's future in doubt. **Up in smoke.** Advocates are upset as lawmakers scramble to make Thursday's deadline. PAGE 02

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Hayden Kroff, right, and Tahuahi Berryman, center, speak with a resident in the East Village. The two are among 250 Mormon missionaries in New York. / MILES DIXON, METRO



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Council Speaker Melissa Mark-Viverito calls for a rent freeze in rent-stabilized apartments in New York City.



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3 John Oliver hilariously bashes Daniel Snyder over Redskins name'

Medical marijuana on edge of collapse

Buzzkill. Cuomo's last-minute demands have created a trickier path to passage.

The state Legislature only has until Thursday to wrap up its business for the session, including a longstanding and seemingly stalled medical marijuana bill.

Gov. Andrew Cuomo met with Senate leaders late Monday, but there was no indication of the bill's likelihood to make it to senators' desks by Tuesday.

Advocates in Albany took issue with Cuomo's new demands and his willingness to negotiate in the press despite what they called a lack of communication with lawmakers.

"It's because of issues like this that New Yorkers get frustrated with Albany," said Gabriel Sayegh, state director of the Drug Policy Alliance.

Hours before the closed-door session, Cuomo released a list to the New York Daily News of what his administration would need in order to possibly support the Compassionate Care Act, a version of which already passed through the Democratically controlled Assembly.

Among the conditions for his support are eliminating smoking of marijuana in favor of other delivery systems such as



The New York bill would be much more restrictive than that of California. / GETTY IMAGES

2014 election

Gov. Cuomo dominates in latest poll

New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo has a sizable lead over Republican gubernatorial candidate Rob Astorino, according to a new poll.



A Siena College poll showed the incumbent

governor with a 36-point lead over Astorino, a Westchester county executive looking to unseat Cuomo.

The governor also had a 63 percent favorability rate, up from 57 percent in April.

High number

62%

The number of people who want medical marijuana legalized in New York, according to a new poll.

vaporization, and culling the number of 20 proposed chronic illnesses eligible for treatment that include cancer and epilepsy.

The administration also wants the law to give over-

sight of the program to the state Health Department instead of a committee of medical professionals.

"If we can address those concerns, there will be a bill. But I'm not going to be part of a system that's just going to wreak havoc," Cuomo said in a radio interview with WCNY radio.

The bill's sponsor, Sen. Diane Savino, told reporters that many of Cuomo's concerns have been addressed.

Under state law, the

bill needs to be submitted three days before a vote, meaning no later than Tuesday before the session ends on June 19. However, the governor could override the requirement.

"The only thing holding this up is the governor's office and the state Senate," Sayegh added. "It's unconscionable."

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Blunt talk



"I believe it should be legalized, but it shouldn't be a first option. There are still better forms of medicine for some of the diseases."

Rhone Hahitti, Manhattan



"There have been positive results in the other states that have legalized it, so I think it would be good for New York as well."

Alex Chamness, Brooklyn



"It's legal drug money, and as someone with money to invest, I'm excited about the business prospect of it. But, it's unfair for those who are gonna remain in jail for selling weed previously."

Daniel Gonzalez, Manhattan

BILLY BECERRA, METRO

New Yorkers outnumbered in the rat race

A new report from the Associated Press says that there are twice as many rats as humans in New York City. Metro crunched the numbers to show how rats stack up to some other city icons.



NYC population (2012)

8.4 million



Number of rats

16.6 million

(approximately 2:1 against New Yorkers)



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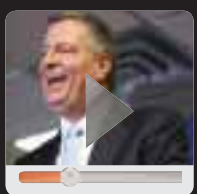
On the losing side

Mayor sings on Kimmel

The New York Rangers weren't the only ones to lose when the Los Angeles Kings won the Stanley Cup. Mayor Bill de Blasio took to "Jimmy Kimmel Live" last night to belt out Randy Newman's "I Love L.A." as part of a bet against Los Angeles mayor Eric Garcetti. The audience was also treated to hot dogs from Gray's Papaya.

De Blasio's performance was broadcast from Times Square accompanied by the 52nd Street Project student chorus, CBS reported.

SAMAR KHURSHID



To view video of the mayor bursting into song, visit Metro.us.

Mormon missionaries ditch Facebook, TV for God in NY

Stringent. Mormon missionaries in New York live by strict set of rules.

In Alphabet City, there lives a group of young men who don't date, watch movies or television, read the news or have Internet in their home.

These Avenue D roommates may sound like anachronistic hipsters, but in fact, they are among the 250 Mormons serving in the church's New York New York North mission, which spans from Manhattan to Albany — a number that has exploded from 148 missionaries two years ago.

Hayden Kroff, 19, and Tahuahi Berryman, 23, better known as "Elder Kroff" and "Elder Berryman," had no idea where in the world they'd end up after sub-



Tahuahi Berryman, left, and Hayden Kroff keep scriptures and lesson plans on their iPad minis. / MILES DIXON, METRO

The rules

Eyes only on the prize

As Mormon missionaries Hayden Kroff and Tahuahi Berryman have had anything but the typical New York City experience. For two years, missionaries

cannot consume secular media (TV, movies, books, newspapers), date or call their families except on Mother's Day and Christmas.

They are permitted to email friends and families only once a week.

mitting applications to become missionaries — they landed in New York.

"Being from Mesa, Arizona, it was a big culture shock, but I was pumped," said Berryman. "I was so excited to come to New York." Kroff, from Bozeman, Montana, said he never visited a big city before moving to New York.

Missionaries are required to keep a regimented schedule. They wake up at 6:30 a.m. and must exercise for 30 minutes before eating breakfast and studying the gospel for two hours. Then they proselytize all day with hour-long breaks for meals and return home at 9:30 p.m..

"When you sign on to be a missionary, you agree to pay for the experience yourself and to keep a lot of stringent rules," said President Thomas Morgan of the New York New York North Mission of the



Visit Metro.us for photos of the missionaries in New York City.

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

You won't hear complaints from Kroff and Berryman, though, who claim they barely miss secular pastimes.

In fact, Berryman said he's disappointed to see his mission come to an end in two months. "Everything I've been through on my mission — it will be sad to leave it," he said.



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NYPD begins traffic safety crackdown

The NYPD began a three-week traffic safety crackdown on Monday, officials announced.

The initiative runs through July 6.

Enforcement will focus on hazardous driving, running through red lights, making improper turns, disobeying traffic signs and failure to yield to pedestrians, cops said.

The operation will center on problematic intersections across the five boroughs.

ANNA SANDERS



Traffic enforcement
GETTY IMAGES

Sounds. Make Music festival: DJ Shakey



DJ Shakey will play a block party in Brooklyn. / JULIE COVELLO

Four days remain until Make Music New York. Metro is exclusive partners with the festival and is previewing some acts.

Julie Covello

Also known as: DJ Shakey

Instrument of choice: Self-designed midi-controller called the "Voltaxe."

Genre: "Controllerism" which in my case, means live, semi-improvised, multi-track electronic music.

The artists I've been

compared to: Well, each set I play has its own concept, but I've made mixes that people have said sound like Chemical Brothers, Fatboy Slim, or something from a Fat Jazzy Grooves compilation.

Lifelong love: My parents said I used to dance on the sidewalks of NYC when I was a 1-year-old, so a long time. **PAT HEALY**



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East New York

Police shoot gunman

Police shot a 23-year-old man who pointed a gun at officers after a chase early Monday, officials said.

Cops responded to a 911 call of a disorderly

group around 4:30 a.m., in which a man was suspected of having a gun. The officers chased the man for two blocks until he turned and pointed his gun at them, police said. A cop then shot the suspect in the torso. **ANNA SANDERS**



Police said a loaded 9mm gun was recovered at the scene. / NYPD



PETA creates crime scene for Blondie

Using a life-size model of a horse, PETA created a crime scene on Monday, complete with police tape, outside of the New York City Criminal Court. The protest was staged to draw attention to the trial of a Saverio Colarusso, a carriage horse driver, who was arrested in a December 2013 incident for reportedly making his horse Blondie work for four days on an injured leg. / MILES DIXON, METRO

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Marion Barry speaks with reporters. / GETTY IMAGES

Former D.C. Mayor Barry out with new memoir

Cracked wide open. The politician talks about his life.

Former Washington Mayor Marion Barry, whose conviction for cocaine possession overshadowed his legacy as a civil rights crusader, is out with an autobiography that aims to tell his story.

"Mayor for Life: The Incredible Story of Marion Barry Jr." is set to hit book stands on Tuesday. The title refers to how some critics described Barry's four tumultuous terms that set the perception of local politics in the U.S. capital.

The Washington Post called the 336-page memoir a "tell-enough" about Barry's career, which has mingled championing

black empowerment with scandal, most notoriously his 1990 arrest for smoking crack cocaine at a downtown hotel.

"I don't want my life and legacy to be all about what happened to me at the Vista Hotel," wrote the 78-year-old former mayor.

The book, written with novelist Omar Tyree for Strebor Books, retraces Barry's rise from picking cotton as a child in Mississippi to dashiki-clad civil rights organizer in the 1960s.

Barry was elected to the City Council in 1974 when Congress gave the capital self-government.

A lightning rod for critics, Barry was in his third term as mayor when he was busted by the FBI and police. He was convicted of possession and imprisoned. **REUTERS**



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Tarnished legacy

Barry is seen by many as a tireless advocate for the poor, minorities and the elderly. A crusader for black empowerment, the percentage of minority-owned businesses getting city contracts surged under his administrations.

- But while Barry was mayor, Washington was

engulfed by drug-fueled violence, and the city's population shrank.

- Rising debt prompted Congress in 1995 to take financial control away from Barry. Barry was elected to the City Council in 2004, representing a poor black ward.

Discrimination

UN rights chief calls for end to female mutilation

Female genital mutilation, the excision of the clitoris practiced widely in African and many Muslim countries, is a means for men to maintain control of women and must be eradicated, U.N. human rights chief

Navi Pillay said on Monday.

"FGM is a form of gender-based discrimination and violence. It is a violation of the right (of women and girls) to physical and mental integrity," Pillay told a gathering on the issue at the world body's Human Rights Council.

"As many as 30 million girls are at risk of undergoing it over the next decade, if current trends persist."

By the numbers

125M

Even if a global campaign against the practice continued at its current level of success, it would be 60 years until the 125 million people now affected was reduced by half.

The traditional practice, often justified as a means of suppressing a woman's

sexual desire and so preventing "immoral" behavior, "represents a way to exercise control over women," she said. She was backed at the session by Chantal Campaore, wife of President Blaise Campaore of the West African republic of Burkina Fasso, who has been pushing efforts on the continent to persuade communities to abandon it. **REUTERS**

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Federal ban

Obama to sign order barring discrimination against gays

President Barack Obama will sign an executive order barring federal contractors from discriminating on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity, a White House official said.

The White House has been pressing Congress to pass legislation to ban employment discrimination against lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people and has resisted issuing an executive order in favor of pursuing a broader, legislative solution. But Obama has spent the year taking executive action on other domestic priorities where Congress has failed to make legislative headway, and activists have pressed him to do the same on gay rights.

REUTERS



Options. US considers air strikes, action with Iran to halt Iraq rebels



An F/A-18 takes off from a U.S. aircraft carrier. / GETTY IMAGES

The United States said it could launch air strikes and act jointly with its arch-enemy Iran to support the Iraqi government, after a rampage by Sunni Islamist insurgents across Iraq that has brought accusations of war crimes.

Militants from the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) have routed Baghdad's army and seized the north of the country in the past week, threatening to dismember Iraq and unleash all-out sectarian warfare with no regard for national borders.

The fighters have been joined by other armed

In this together

Joint action between the U.S. and Iran to help prop up their mutual ally would be unprecedented since Iran's 1979 revolution.

Sunni groups who oppose what they say is oppression by Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki, a Shi'ite.

The United Nations human rights chief said forces allied with ISIL had almost certainly committed war crimes by executing hundreds of noncombatant men. REUTERS



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OMG! We're not too far from flying into the future with a hovercraft

A sci-fi hover bike, akin to the flying forest speeders from "Return of the Jedi," is set to take off by 2017. The Aero-X, designed by California-based Aerofex Corporation, uses ducted rotors in a similar fashion to a helicopter but with greater control. The aircraft, which costs \$85,000 and can fly at 45 mph, will only hover to heights of 15 feet, so that a pilot's license isn't required. Chief Technology Officer Mark De Roche tells Metro why we'll all be riding into the future on a hovercraft.

Did you decide to design this after watching 'Return of the Jedi'?
[Laughs] I hate to disappoint, but I've only seen one of the Star Wars movies and it didn't influence the design.

In the James Bond movie 'Die Another Day,' hovercraft float over minefields. Is the military interested?



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"Our goal is to set up air parks where people can be trained in a scenic environment as the hovercraft doesn't damage land in the same way that a car does," says De Roche. / LARRY BARTHOLOMEW

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Saima Huq also volunteers at the Central Park Zoo. / PROVIDED

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None of my jobs are 9 to 5; I tried that, and it just wasn't for me. I work with Columbia University's Hip-Hop Public Health to teach fourth through sixth graders what to do if someone is having a stroke and also how they can develop healthy habits. I also do street surveys for the Bureau of Infectious Disease. I asked people what they thought of the free NYC condoms. It's really fun and interesting!

What are your other two jobs?

Third, I am a personal trainer. I have my own clients and go to their homes. And last, I'm producing and acting in a production of "Death of a Salesman."

Your background is in public health. How did you learn how to produce?

The Stats

Saima Huq

Age: 40

Residency: Bed-Stuy, Brooklyn

Lives: Alone

Number of jobs: 4

It was an interest of mine, so I emailed someone who was doing it and asked him to coffee. He kind of showed me the ropes and taught me what to do. That job I definitely don't do for the money; it's the job where I lose money! The production opens next week, so that's really exciting.

Do you work your jobs for the money or because you want to?

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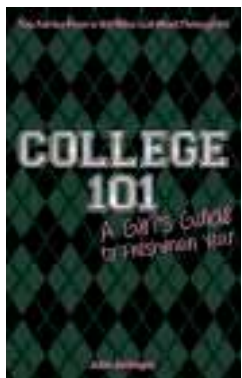
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College 101: What freshman year is really like

Campus life. Starting school this fall? A rising college senior shares some pointers on how to adapt.



People sometimes forget that freshman year of college, in addition to being a time of exploration and new experiences, is also a time of tremendous personal change. In her new book "College 101: A Girl's Guide to Freshman Year," Barnard College senior Julie Zeilinger explores the reality of college life. She shares some advice with readers:

Every day won't be the best day ever

"One of the reasons I wrote this book was because pop culture keeps telling us that college is the most fun ever or the best four years of your life," says Zeilinger. "College is a huge transition

for many rising freshman. It's a very different lifestyle." She urges students to be realistic.

No, everyone isn't partying without you

"There's this idea that people are partying all of the time or that people are hooking up constantly," notes the author. "In reality, people are just living their lives."

There's no right way to study

"When I got to college, I would study in the library all of the time, because I thought that that's what



College is a time of enormous personal change, says Julie Zeilinger, below. / FUSE

Hit the books

Manage your time

Remember, the majority of work in college is done outside of the classroom, so it's



important to manage your schedule. "Succeeding academically is not about being the smartest," says Zeilinger. "A lot of it is strategy."

you are supposed to do in college," says Zeilinger, a sociology major. "But I just couldn't concentrate there. It wasn't until I started

studying in a coffee shop that I finally found what was working for me."

"There's no one formula," she adds.

Take care of yourself

Don't be afraid to tell someone if you are struggling.

"We sometimes act like we don't want anyone to know," Zeilinger says. "Then we feel very alone and we feel like we are failing. But no one is alone."



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Kanye, the family man

This is a version of Kanye West we really, really like. Kim Kardashian posted this picture of her husband and daughter on Instagram on Father's Day, which was also North West's birthday. It's nice to see a different side of Kanye than the weirdo ranting away on stage about crazy stuff like he'll be "going after Shakespeare and Walt Disney" (yup, he said that at Bonnaroo Music and Arts Festival on Friday). Sleeping should be your new thing, Kanye! **LASSE E. KRISTIANSEN**

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Talking point



Stewart courting Moore for BFF

Kristen Stewart has her sights set on Demi Moore as a co-star and potential new BFF, according to Star magazine. "Kristen is making serious noise about befriending Demi, whom she has worshiped for years, and convincing her they should play a mother-daughter team in a new action-comedy," a source says, explaining that Stewart thinks a film pairing "will help both their careers and somewhat depressing public images." And it'll help her attain a lifelong dream. "It's been a long-held dream of Kristen's to star in a movie with Demi," the source says.

Nicole Kidman may have had implants

Nicole Kidman made quite an impression on the red carpet at the Swisse Celebrate Life Ball in Melbourne, donning a Prada gown with a plunging neckline, and some are saying the Oscar-winning actress was showing off some newly enlarged assets. "It appears

she has had a pretty impressive breast augmentation. I suspect that she has gone from a big A or small B to a full C [cup size]," Dr. Anthony Youn, who has not treated Kidman, tells Radar Online. "Overall I think it looks good, although maybe a touch overdone. It's also possible she still has some swelling."



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@ChloeGMoretz: There are a few people in this world I love :)

@Sethrogen: I think my greatest skill is my ability to memorize the layout of a tv remote so I can hit buttons without looking.

@Miles_Teller: Go you chicken fat, go!

Paltrow consciously re-coupling with Martin?



Gwyneth Paltrow and Chris Martin seem to be consciously undoing their decision to consciously uncouple, as the duo is reportedly working things out, according to the Daily Mirror. "Chris still lives with her, they are amazingly lovey-dovey together and she still wears her wedding ring.

They may have consciously uncoupled a few months ago, but they seem to be recoupling now. No one will be surprised if they get back together," a source tells the paper. "It's true they had problems, but in the weirdest way this 'conscious uncoupling' situation has relieved the pressure on them."

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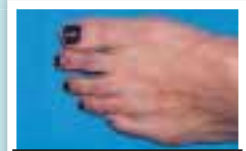
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Meet Brenton Thwaites



Actor Brenton Thwaites plays an MIT freshman who awakens in a mysterious confinement center in "The Signal." / FOCUS FEATURES

Introductions. The young Australian star of the indie sci-fi mystery "The Signal" will soon be everywhere.

"The Signal" is really two films: a sci-fi thriller and a study of youth and heartbreak. In it, a recently dumped MIT freshman (Brenton Thwaites) is knocked out while tracking down a hacker and wakes up in a strange underground contamination center. There, he struggles to find out where he is and how he might escape.

For Thwaites, it felt like two separate movies. "We shot [the contamination center sections] first," the young Australian actor recalls. "Toward the end of shooting, it was a relaxed road trip vibe. There was no huge crew. It was such a different world from shooting in these long hallways and very brightly lit rooms."

Other parts of the film were shot in the New Mexico desert. Shooting in suffocating heat might have fatigued most actors, but Thwaites, oddly, was used to it. After shooting in America, he did a film in the desert in Australia, then one in Africa.

Besides, the desert has its perks. "It actually makes it easier, because you don't have to create [a character's emotions] so much," he says. He says the film he's

The facts

Brenton Thwaites

- **Where you've seen him:** He played Prince Phillip in "Maleficent" and Tim in "Oculus." Back home in Australia he was on the TV shows "SLiDE" and "Home and Away."
- **Where he is now:** headlining the low-budget sci-fi thriller "The Signal"
- **Where he will be:** with Jeff Bridges and Meryl Streep in "The Giver," out in August; in "Son of a Gun," with Ewan McGregor; in Helen Hunt's "Ride"; and starring in the \$150 million "Gods of Egypt" with Gerard Butler and Geoffrey Rush



shooting now in Australia is mostly digital. "There's nothing here. There's no environment. It's all blue screen and pretending to look at things. In the desert, you really feel oppressed; you feel heavy. You feel tired. When you're tired, certain emotions are more available."

Thwaites had other physical traits to work through. His character has a muscular disease that has crippled his legs, requiring the actor to use crutches. "There was one night I went out in my crutches to try and get a feel for how the character would move. Later on I went to the gym

to run. And people would be like, 'Come on, this guy's a phony!'"

But although he only used crutches for part of the film, it still affected the way he played his character. "The feeling of not being able to do anything slowly depresses you," he says. That was right for his character, who is trying to reignite his relationship with his ex, who's on the road with him. "He feels that he's letting her down by not being able to physically be there for her."



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Fiction. Courtney Maum's novel is one of the buzziest of the beach read season — but it's not fluff.

It all started with a note taped on the outside of a French art gallery. The note read (in French), "Mr. Architect, you were wearing an elegant hat and you wanted to buy the blue bear. Please contact me." Courtney Maum was living in Paris at the time and experiencing years of writer's block, but that one note sparked the idea for her new extremely buzzy novel, "I Am Having So Much Fun Here Without You."

The protagonist is a British artist named Rich-

ard who paints rooms as they appear through a keyhole, but he is more obsessed with pining over his ex-mistress than his art — or his wife. He starts regretting his affair about the same time his wife is done with him. "In my family history, everyone cheated on everyone else and got divorced. I found myself wondering, 'Did anyone try to work it out?'" Maum tells us.

Because the book addresses infidelity, early readers are dissecting it, trying to pull marital lessons from these fictional characters. "I'm pretty flattered by that," Maum says. "I remember thinking that people who are married or think about marriage a lot would like this book. ... It's a bumpy road. Marriage is freaking awkward. You're not psyched after eight years to get into bed with

the same person."

Maum says she wrote as if she were sitting there with Richard and his wife in the kitchen, with the baby upstairs: "I wrote with my heart," she says. That's probably why you can't help but root for Richard — despite his many flaws.

That's not to say that creating a balanced character who was funny, dark and likable all at the same time was easy for Maum.

"When I wrote the first version, I got a lot of rejection letters," she says. "All the editors thought Richard was too unlikable. At first I just thought they just weren't risk-takers, but when I read the manuscript again 10 years later, I realized they were right."



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A brilliant headache

Take a bow. Film writer Dan Callahan talks the pains and joys of writing a book about Vanessa Redgrave.

If you wanted to write a breezy, straightforward study of an actor, Vanessa Redgrave would probably be one of your poorest choices. Of the world's master thespians, she's likely the most problematic; although she has plenty of theatrical bona fides, her screen career — although brilliant — is patchy. And then there's her political activism, which includes working with the controversial Workers Revolutionary Party and enraging



many with her defense of Palestine, to name one. But writer and critic Dan Callahan stormed ahead anyway. "Vanessa: The Life of Vanessa Redgrave" is a critical study of the actress' work that isn't afraid to delve into her controversies or to set certain misconceptions straight.

You call her the greatest actress who ever lived, but you're very critical of her work and call some performances misjudged.



Vanessa Redgrave poses with the Oscar she won for 1977's "Julia," right after her controversial acceptance speech. / GETTY IMAGES

Her method is very erratic. She can only get as high up as she has because she doesn't follow a straight line. She has all these bad ideas that people have to talk her out of. The trick is to have her go with the brilliant one no one else on Earth would have thought of.

You spend a lot of time talking about the physical nature of her performances.
In "If These Walls Could

Talk 2" [in which she plays an older woman in the '60s whose longtime female partner dies], she has this thing where she's in her lover's old chair, and she presses the arms on it, as if the arms are her lover. In a single gesture she's able to give you an entire life. One gesture! No other actor can do that as well as she can.



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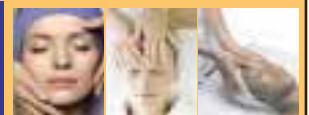
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what gets her into trouble in her political life. You can't have one without the

other with her. Part of the reason I wanted to write this book was that her own autobiography from 20 years ago is very confusing and obscure about [her politics]. And she writes mainly about that and not her work. I wanted to write about her work, but I wanted to clarify this Workers Revolutionary Party period, too.

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A little patience, please

New 'Familiars.'

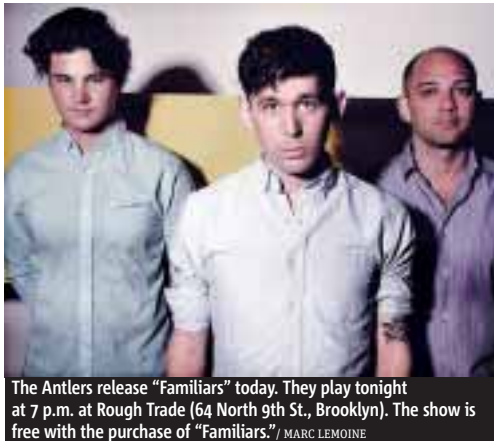
Antlers singer Peter Silberman explains how slowing down tempos helps him to be present in the moment.

The Antlers have created a world in which a cheerful mariachi horn is right at home with classic soul chord progressions and the heady dystopian plodding of Pink Floyd.

"I've been listening to Pink Floyd for so long that I'm sure it's in there in a permanent way," says singer and guitarist Peter Silberman.

On "Familiars," the band's third album as a multi-member concern, the thing that unifies the sonic elements is patience.

"That has become my way of attempting to be present in songwriting," says Silberman of the careful pace that defines the



The Antlers release "Familiars" today. They play tonight at 7 p.m. at Rough Trade (64 North 9th St., Brooklyn). The show is free with the purchase of "Familiars." / MARC LEMOINE

album. "Part of the reason that I tend to lean toward slower tempos is to negate the rush to the finish line."

Silberman says the other band members exercise patience when they're playing but also when the singer revises lyrics right up to the deadline.

"Through the last days of recording, I was still changing words," he says.

Although he keeps

himself at a slower tempo when recording, he speeds up when he speaks about it, still obviously excited to discuss the music.

"I wanted it to be the truest album, but I think reaching some sort of state of ultimate truth is kind of impossible, and I learned that over the course of this," he says. "There is no such thing as perfection."

Antlers lyrical tip

'A line of questioning yourself'

Silberman says that although he's always tweaking his lyrics, he usually doesn't discuss them with the band. But when he tosses out a phrase such as "the way that regrets can imprison you" about one of their songs, it's clear he's having these conversations with somebody.

They're mostly with himself though, he says. "In order to figure out what that line is, I often have to write it out in plain speech," he says. "and less poetically, and say, 'OK, what the f— is the point that I'm trying to make here?'"



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Floral arrangements

Tour operator Collette and RHS Garden Holidays have partnered to create horticulture-themed tours throughout Europe. To book a babymoon similar to this trip, look for The Gardens of London or The Beauty of Britain package at www.gocollette.com.

Babymoon.

Enjoy a cool British garden rather than sweltering on a beach this summer.

Stacy Keibler, George Clooney's former flame, recently Instagrammed a photo with the caption: "Sun, sand and serenity — the perfect #babymoon." Indeed! Basking in the heat and humidity 30 weeks pregnant and 20 pounds heavier, beads of sweat accompanying your labored breathing — wait, that sounds awful. Meditative garden strolls on occasionally overcast days, topped off with comforting cups of herbal tea? That's more like it, and that's what you'll find in England.

Like motherhood, gardening is about cultivating life, and there are no bigger gardening aficionados than the English. This is obvious every May when, as it has for the last 101 years, the insanely popular **RHS Chelsea Flower Show** comes to London. Fortunately, you don't have to know a thing about gardening

Blooming bellies and flowers

Stop and smell something rarer than a rose. / GETTY IMAGES. ALL OTHER PHOTOS JANET CHOI, METRO

to enjoy the breathtaking temporary displays or the permanent gardens on the hospital grounds. Can't get to London in May? RHS, the **Royal Horticultural Society** (www.rhs.org.uk), has four gardens you can visit year-round. The one closest to the capital, RHS Garden

Wisley, includes a stunning glass house showcasing exotic species you have likely never seen before.

A few hours to the north, in Yorkshire, is the RHS Garden Harlow Carr. Stroll through time, with gardens representing a particular era or season. Time-traveling can be exhausting, but fortunately, **Bettys** (www.bettys.co.uk) is on hand to offer sandwiches, baked goods and cups of that liquid comfort. When night falls, sleep soundly at **Wood Hall Hotel & Spa** (www.handpickedhotels.co.uk), an English country manor that predictably exudes an air of refinement. The stuffed toy badger in your room, however, prevents you from mistakenly thinking that you're any-

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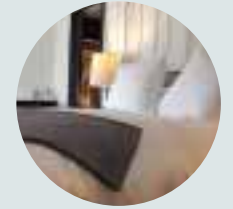
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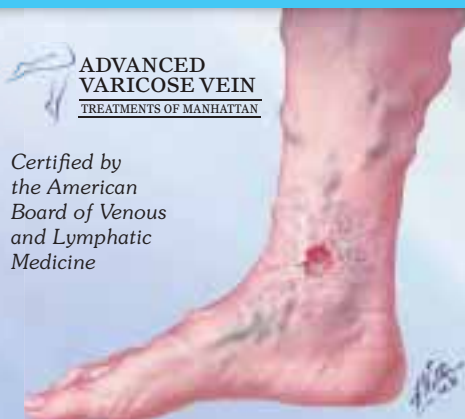


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Weirdest beaches

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It's finally summer — time to swim, sunbathe and surf. While many people dream of white sand, palm trees and clear water, we'd like to shift the focus to the more unusual beaches out there, where dinosaurs once roamed and the sand is the color of another planet's seashore. These places prove that Mother Nature has some surprises in store. Here are five strange and beautiful beaches from around the world.

Pfeiffer Beach

Big Sur is known for its natural beauty, and Pfeiffer Beach is especially stunning. This hard-to-find California beach features purple sand, thanks to the manganese garnet found on nearby cliffs. The road leading to the beach is unmarked, so keep an eye out for it on Highway 1.

Chandipur Beach

Don't bother looking for Chandipur Beach on the



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New Zealand

Hot Water Beach

If you ever wished you could soak in a hot tub right on the beach, then Coromandel Peninsula is the place for you. Naturally occurring hot springs bubble up under the sand between high and low tides, creating a natural spa-like experience. The mineral waters can reach 150 degrees.

Bay of Bengal at low tide — you won't find it. Twice a day, the water recedes up to three miles from the Indian seashore, leaving long tracts of sand where you can spot horseshoe crabs, seashells and driftwood. If you hang around for a while, you can watch the sea slowly returning — a strange phenomenon to observe.

Hyams Beach

Of all the beautiful beaches on Australia's

coast, only Hyams Beach holds the Guinness Book of World Records title for the whitest sand. Crystal-clear water, forests and wetlands only add to Jervis Bay's appeal. Inhabited by Aboriginals for thousands of years, the area boasts important archeological sites, such as rock art, stone artifacts and axe-grinding grooves.

Jurassic Coast

Geologists and fossil hunters travel from far and wide

looking for specimens on this beach spanning Dorset and East Devon, England. In addition to the coast's rugged cliffs and coves, 185 million years of the Earth's development are on display here. Because of erosion, fossils are continuously being identified, and visitors can go on guided fossil walks.

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PARENTING 26

The funniest parents on Twitter

Laugh it off. Here are the four moms and dads we favorite and retweet on a regular basis.

Parents say the darndest things. If you want someone self-deprecating to commiserate with, add these moms and dads to your Twitter feed.

Kelly Oxford

@kellyoxford

Kelly Oxford is the author of the New York Times best-selling book "Everything Is Perfect When You're A Liar."

Sample tweet: "I always tell my friends not to sniff markers because it killed my great-grandmother." - my 5 yr old daughter"



Comedian Stephanie McMaster (@smethanie) keeps it real. / TWITTER

Stephanie McMaster

@smethanie

Comedian and mom Stephanie McMaster is just as funny on Twitter as she is on stage. Basically, she gets you.



Want to be on this list? Tweet your parenting woes and words of wisdom tagging @metronewyork with the hashtag #metroparenting and your tweet could end up in the paper next week.

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James Breakwell

@explodingunicorn

Humor writing comes naturally to this funny dad, who has his own blog and writes his own Web comics.

Sample tweet: "To anyone out there thinking about having kids, today my 2 year old threw a temper tantrum because she couldn't get rid of her shadow."

Johanna Stein

@johannastein

The author of the hilarious new mommy memoir, "How Not To Calm A Child On A Plane," Stein is quick to laugh at her parenting missteps — ones you'll totally relate to.

Sample tweet: "Being a parent is not all sunshine and lollipops. Sometimes it's sun damage and diabetes."

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♊ Gemini | May 22-June 20. Being too rigid will alienate you from your peers. Try to be flexible so you can stay on their good side.

♋ Cancer | June 21-July 22. You may daydream about exotic destinations — but, in reality, experiencing cultural events in your own community will bring you just as much enjoyment.

♌ Leo | July 23-Aug. 22. You need to realistically examine your financial situation and do what it takes to protect your interests. Failing to keep on top of it could land you in debt.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23-Sept. 22. Compromise, not conflict, will be the order of the day. You will lose an important ally if you are too argumentative or demanding.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23-Oct. 22. Your current job may be falling short of your expectations. Improving your work situation should be your main focus.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23-Nov. 21. You could use a few laughs. Some healthy competition will get your juices flowing. Challenge friends or family members to a word game.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22-Dec. 21. Don't get involved in any power struggles today. If everyone does their own thing, there will be less chance for discord.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22-Jan. 20. Listen and offer solutions to those who need someone to confide in, but don't be too quick to share your secrets.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21-Feb. 18. Protect yourself by doing extensive research before making a radical career move. If you act on false information, you could undo your progress.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19-March 20. Experience is a great teacher, so consider the past before you make a move. Keep your emotions under control.

♈ Aries | March 21-April 20. Don't let a shortage of funds hold you back. Others think highly of your talents and will support your efforts.

♉ Taurus | April 21-May 21. Dare yourself to try something new. You will become inspired if you choose to do things that are unfamiliar to you. Take the plunge. **BERNICE BEDE OSOL**

Letters

Orientation is serious

Re: 'Some things should really just stay personal' (Metro, June 13-16) To reader C.M. Parns: If you had read the article ["I'm proud of who I am," Metro, June 10], you'd see exactly why it's important for people like Jennifer Lydon to "inform" us that transgendered people exist. When Lydon was 11, she read a similar piece about Renee Richards and realized she wasn't alone in the world.

That article changed her life. Very likely there are young people today who have been given hope from Lydon's piece.

To a gay teen with few role models, it certainly is "that damn serious."

RICHARD FEINBERG, VIA EMAIL

Everyone should get their say

Bravo to letter writer C.M. Parns for saying exactly what I was thinking! I'm pleading the First Amendment in saying that this whole revolution has gotten way out of control. If supporters of these movements are allowed to rub it in the face of everyone else, then we who feel differently should be allowed to voice our opinion as well. Maybe if it looks like a duck and quacks like a duck, it's really a dog or cat instead.

M. HULL, VIA EMAIL

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- 23 Derelict
- 25 Hi or bye
- 26 Monkey bread tree
- 27 Temper tantrum
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- 32 Andes empire
- 33 Mongol dwellings
- 35 Say likewise
- 36 Ike
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- 38 Chem room
- 39 Zillions of years
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- 43 Hay bundle
- 44 Fictional pirate
- 45 White wine aperitif
- 46 Trickier
- 48 "... to buy — pig"
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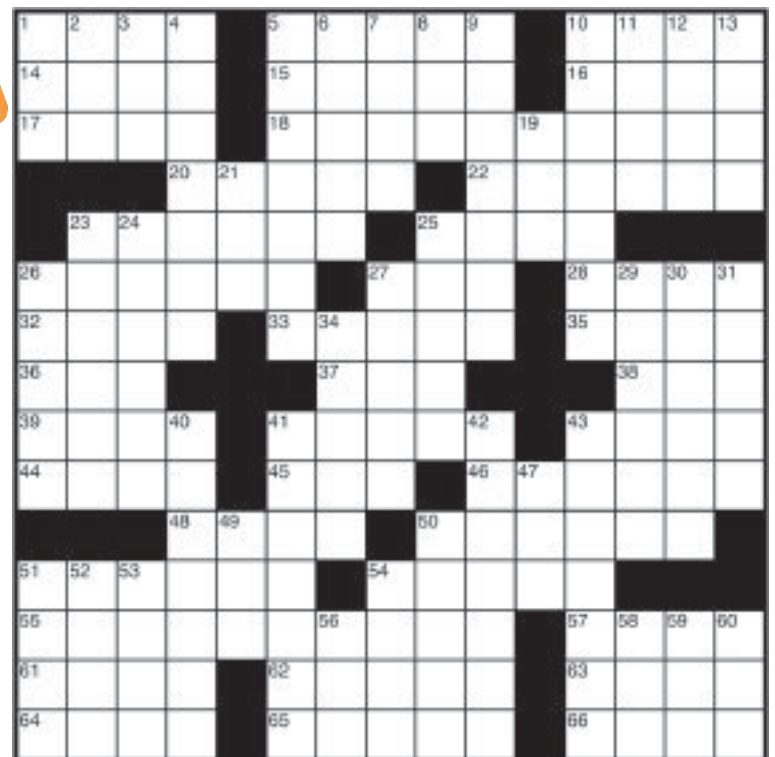
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Silly season

Anthony suitors line up

Hardly had the final buzzer sounded on the Spurs' NBA title when speculation began over the future of key free agents, Knicks forward Carmelo Anthony among them. Dirk Nowitzki told a Dallas radio station Monday he'd "love to have him" on the Mavericks.

US has its revenge in shocking Ghana

World Cup. John Brooks netted a header in the 86th minute to break a tie in a critical opening game.

The United States held a tenuous 1-0 lead for 81 minutes before a deflating game-tying goal in the 82nd minute by Ghana looked to spell doom for the Americans' hope at three points. The feeling lasted only four minutes.

The U.S. took their World Cup opener, 2-1, on a header by John Brooks in the 86th minute off a Graham Zusi corner kick. Both Brooks and Zusi were substitutes in the second half and both were making their World



Brooks was born in Berlin, Germany, where his father was stationed in the U.S. military. / GETTY IMAGES

Cup debuts.

The United States opened the game in near-record fashion with the fastest goal in American World Cup history and the fifth-fastest overall. Clint Dempsey beat his

Group G scenarios

The United States and Germany stand atop Group G with three points each.

- The win for the U.S. means a draw against Portugal (June 22) or Germany (June 26) could be enough to get them through.
- With Germany's win, they're favorites to take the group. Portugal may need two wins since they are minus-4 in goal differential — the first tiebreaker.

man one-on-one and drilled a left footer into the right side of the net just 31 seconds into the contest.

At times it felt like the U.S. was holding on for its life the next 81 minutes before Andre Ayew converted on a beautiful back-heel pass from Asamoah Gyan in the 82nd minute.

All was not good for the Americans though, as Jozy Altidore suffered a hamstring injury in the first half. He will go for further tests Tuesday.



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German rout



Germany dominates Portugal

The matchup of the two titans awaiting the United States in Group G was shockingly lopsided.

Germany's Thomas Muller scored on a penalty kick in the 12th minute, but the Bayern Munich midfielder was far from done for the day in a 4-0 win over Portugal.

Mats Hummels outjumped the Portuguese defense to put in a header in the 32nd minute. Muller netted another in stoppage time to close out the first half already with an insurmountable 3-0 lead. Muller netted a hat trick off a rebound right in front of the net in the 78th minute. **METRO**

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Portugal played the final 52 minutes without defender Pepe, who got a red card for a headbutt and will miss Sunday's match against the United States.

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Future of Richards still in doubt as Vigneault hedges

NHL. The Rangers did not want to talk about amnestying Brad Richards for salary cap relief on Monday.

The Rangers have several big personnel decisions to make in the wake of their Stanley Cup Final loss to the Kings. The biggest of them all will have to wait despite reports to the contrary.

Head coach Alain Vigneault wasn't ready to discuss whether the team would use an amnesty buyout on center Brad Richards as the team packed up for the summer on Monday.

On the books

The Rangers face the decision over Richards because they have plenty of free agents to lock up — or lose — this offseason.

• **Restricted free agents:** Derick Brassard, Chris Kreider, Mats Zuccarello, Justin Falk, John Moore

• **Unrestricted free agents:** Brian Boyle, Benoit Pouliot, Dominic Moore, Daniel Carillo, Anton Stralman, Raphael Diaz

• The Rangers have \$53,992,500 in salary locked up with the cap projected to be \$71.1 million in 2014-15.

"I'm very happy with what he brought to the table — veteran player that from Day 1 was a real good extension of the coaching staff in that dressing room," Vigneault said. "He should walk away from this season very pleased with how he played and how he contributed to our team. And as everybody knows, there's decisions to be made, and we haven't made those yet. But I'm a big fan of Brad Richards."

The 34-year-old still has six years and \$27 million left on his deal, at an annual salary cap hit of \$6.67 million.

It was reported over the weekend — and has hardly been a secret — that the Rangers would amnesty Richards.



The nine-year, \$60 million deal Brad Richards signed in 2011 has never panned out for New York. / GETTY IMAGES

The team's alternate captain was praised for stepping up as a leader in place of Ryan Callahan, but his production in the postseason was spotty. Vigneault demoted Richards to the fourth line

for Games 4 and 5 of the Stanley Cup Final and he had just one point in the series.



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Tony Gwynn dead at 54

Hall of Famer Tony Gwynn died of cancer Monday at the age of 54.

Gwynn, who had been the head coach of the San Diego State baseball team, was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame in 2007.

The former Padres outfielder finished with 3,141 hits and a career .338 batting average. Only Ted Williams (.344) has a higher batting average post-1940. He led the league in hits six times and batting average seven times. **METRO**

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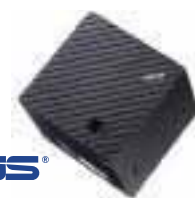


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